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## Weather Indications.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—Forecast for 24 hours until 8 p. m.: For Kansas—Clear Wednesday; southerly winds, becoming northerly.

## REMINISCENCES.

The Populist campaign in this state presents a condition of affairs that has been witnessed but twice before in the history of Kansas politics; that of a man at the head of the ticket who is manifestly so unpopular as to be a burden. In 1876 Geo. T. Anthony was nominated for a second term as governor by the Republican party. The most damaging charges were made against him by members of his own party and by the opposition. It was found necessary to devote the best energies of the party to sustaining him, and though it was the year of a presidential election, and at a time when sectionalism ran high, he was about 10,000 votes behind his ticket when the returns were in.

In 1893 the party shouldered another burden in the person of John P. St. John. While there was nothing especially damaging charged against his personal character or his previous administration of affairs, his radical views on prohibition, the fact that he was a candidate for a third term and his supposed close relations to the railroad interests all combined to send him down to defeat, notwithstanding the fact that the remainder of the ticket was elected by about the usual majority.

Granting for the sake of illustration that the relative strength of the Republican and the Populist parties is the same this year as in 1892, then if the history of either the Anthony or the St. John campaign should be repeated, which seems probable, Governor Lewelling would inevitably be defeated. His strength lies in the country districts where the members of his party, who read little but Populist literature, know little of the damaging record of his administration, that is so well understood in the cities. The country is the field for Republican laborers.

## KANSAS PARAGRAPHS.

The proposals for furnishing hay to Ft. Riley call for 4,670,000 pounds.

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the arrival of the English colony at Waukegan is to be celebrated.

J. B. Johns, husband of Laura M. Johns, was in the city this week. It is the way the Bennington papers express it.

A Dunn of Clay Center tied his cow to the Union Pacific track, so she could graze. The cow catcher did the rest.

There has been so much sickness at Tecumseh that the only practicing physician there felt justified in getting married.

Mr. Apple of Ottawa county, would like to be picked by the Republicans of Ottawa county as their candidate for probate judge.

The croquet disease has become so malignant at Junction City that the croquet grounds are illuminated, so as to play after dark.

The housekeeper at the Soldiers' Orphan home at Atchison has put up 600 quarts of tomatoes which the inmates will put down this winter.

The Lincoln Republican says the women there go in bathing in the Saline river just like they do at the big watering places. Shame on them!

An Atchison man has taken 3,000 pounds of honey from his bees this year. There is considerable difference between a "has bee" a man and a "has been" man.

It is understood the fact that football was a crime in England during the reign of Henry VIII is now being expurgated from all the text books of Baker university.

A Wichita man has brought a 14-foot alligator home from Florida with him for a story teller. When the story is so big the alligator can't swallow it, it will do to tell.

The city marshal of Junction City, while chasing a dog, killed it when it was directly in front of a butcher shop. Chance occurrences are not always so felicitous.

The costume of the woman who took the prize at a Clay Center poverty social cost 17 cents. Being married is the only thing that kept her from having a dozen "offers" on the spot.

The supply of Columbian stamps at the Eldorado postoffice has just given out, and the people who do a great deal of letter writing will have a chance to salivate their food properly.

Minneapolis Messenger: The Populists in Topeka are protesting against the passage of an occupation tax by the city

council. There are but few Populists in this town who would be in any way affected by such an ordinance.

A woman at Council Grove took a money order to the postoffice and tore off the coupon because it had a ragged edge. When women get to running things they will have them all hamstrung.

L. A. Buell of Minneapolis has evolved a system of photographic abstracting on which he has applied for a patent. It consists of photographing each instrument which affects the title of the land, and then pasting them in a small book. When the abstract is complete it consists of a fac simile of every instrument under which the land is held.

The exodus from the middle and western portions of the state and the consequent large falling off in the voting population, all resulting from the drought, will afford excellent opportunities for partisan canvassing boards and dishonest county officials to make fraudulent election returns. That a very large majority of the voters in all political parties favor honest elections there can be little doubt. This being the case, too much care cannot be exercised this fall in taking such measures as will surely prevent any manipulation of the returns or swelling of the totals of nearly depopulated counties in the interest of any party. Let us have a fair and honest election, regardless of who wins. A sincere and united effort on the part of the state committees of the various political organizations will bring about this result.

## ONE LITTLE LONESOME.

Rudolf Schell Drank to His Own Health and Was Arrested.

When Rudolf Schell entered the police court this morning, he was not happy. His head ached, and his air was a generally dejected one. He was charged with having been drunk.

Officer Donovan had found him brooding over the ills of monopoly in the alley back of Long's restaurant. He was not a boisterous drunk. He was quiet about it, and as Jailer Woodruff expressed it, "it was a soft, pleasant sort of a drunk." Rudolf stood up and told his story to the judge. He was a victim of the late strike, he said. He had been employed by the Santa Fe at Raton, N. M., and his wife and two children lived here. It was Rudolf's first appearance in police court, and he hoped he would be allowed to advertise it as his last. The judge gave him a good lecture and let him go.

A spectator to the case says that Rudolf is not all he seems. He says he has been working at Raton for a long time and has never sent one cent of money home to his wife who has been supporting the family by running a boarding house and that now he has come home broke to eat up her earnings.

An examination of the docket showed, however, that the man was listed there as 188 years old and Jailer Woodruff was called up before him to answer to the charge of falsifying the police records.

"I took his word for it," explained Woodruff.

"Well," said Judge Ensminger, "I want you to take notice that it is the order of this court that hereafter before you enter a man's age on the docket you look at his teeth."

## HE WOULDN'T TRADE.

A Bright Southern Kansas Boy on His Way to the Orphan's Home.

Eder Logee slept at the police station last night. Eder is a Caldwell, Kansas, boy, and was on his way to the orphan's home. He is not a very big boy, but is a remarkably clean boy. His baggage was not extensive and the only trunk he had with him was an old coffee sack, into which he had dumped in delightful promiscuity his few belongings. He had a new straw hat and a couple of shirts, that might have been white before they got into the general tangle in the sack. There was a revolver and four pairs of clump skates.

"What are you going to do with those skates?" asked the reporter.

"Sell 'em if I can."

"Where did you get them?"

"I added for 'em down home."

A colored boy who stood near offered him a nickel for the revolver.

Eder was speechless.

"Give yer fifty cents."

"Naw ye won't. Gimme dollar an' a half."

"Give yer dollar."

"Gimme dollar'n quarter."

"Not much."

The trade was off, and Eder threw his sack over his shoulder and started for the asylum on foot.

## TOPEKA THEATER OPENS.

A Large Audience Present—Matinee Every Day This Week.

The Topeka Theater and Museum started out under the most flattering auspices last night with 1,500 people present.

The museum proper was visited by throngs of people who passed thence to the monkey theater, a novelty never before in Topeka. The monkeys wrestle and spar, walk the tight rope and one charms snakes.

In the theater auditorium Eunice Goodrich presented "Sweet Briar" to an appreciative audience.

Today and tonight the bill is "Girl in Grey." There will be matinee every day this week.

## TORCHLIGHT PARADES.

The Republicans to Organize a Torchlight Club of 400 Members.

Secretary Bristow of the Republican state central committee, J. G. Sionsaker and Col. G. W. Veale will be present and speak at a Republican meeting to be held at the court house tomorrow evening.

A Republican campaign torch light club will be organized at this meeting. The local Republican managers have made arrangements by which they can secure between 350 and 400 flash light torches, the same as are used by Lincoln post flambeau club.

It is understood that Captain A. M. Fuller is to be made captain of the new marching organization.

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Fatal Fall of the Archduke William of Austria—German and English Horseback Riders—Kings Who Can Ride Well and Those Who Cannot.

[Special Correspondence.]

BERLIN, Aug. 9.—Considering that Archduke William of Austria was celebrated as one of the most superb equestrians in an empire where nearly every man may be said to ride well, it is certainly strange that he should be the first prince of the blood in modern times to lose his life by a fall from his horse. Unable to disentangle his foot from the stirrup, he was dragged along the ground for several hundred yards, the frightened animal's hoofs pounding his kindly and genial old face until it had lost all human semblance.

The late Duke of Orleans, father of the Comte de Paris and the eldest son of King Louis Philippe, had his neck



ARCHDUKE WILLIAM OF AUSTRIA.

broken at Paris while attempting to jump out of his carriage, the horses of which had bolted, but to the best of my knowledge there is no parallel since the beginning of the present century to the case of Archduke William.

## Never Look at Ease.

This is all the more surprising seeing that the majority of royal and imperial personages are very indifferent riders—at any rate, as far as the masculine element is concerned. One might have thought that this would have been an accomplishment in which they would excel above all others, seeing that royalty is mainly ornamental, and that it is far easier to remain so and to create an impression when mounted than on foot. But such is not the case. Generally speaking, their seat in the saddle is bad, and in spite of all efforts of their professors in the art of equitation and all the care devoted to this particular branch of their education they never look at ease or in any way well on horseback.

Thus neither the Prince of Wales nor his brothers, Alfred, duke regnant of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, and Arthur, duke of Connaught, can be said to appear to advantage when mounted. They have German instead of English seats in their saddles, this being due to their father, the late prince consort, having insisted on their being taught riding by a Hessian infantry officer rejoicing in the name of Meyer and whom he had imported for the purpose from Darmstadt—just about the last place in the world where one would look for a good horseman. The princes are seldom if ever seen in the hunting field, the only member of the British royal family who occasionally does the pink and joins in chasing the fox being Prince Henry of Battenberg, the German husband of Queen Victoria's youngest daughter.

## Poor Lord Lorne!

The finest horseman of the reigning house in England was undoubtedly the late Duke of Clarence, oldest son of the Prince of Wales, who not only was passionately fond of hunting, but also rode in a large number of steeplechases, winning several important events over exceedingly stiff courses. Princess Louise, third daughter of the queen, deserves to be mentioned, too, as presenting a graceful picture in the saddle and is a superb equestrienne, differing in that respect from her puny husband, the Marquis of Lorne, whose horseback experiences have been of quite as entertaining a character as those of the famous John Gilpin of "London Town." It may be remembered that, while taking part in the royal procession to Westminster abbey on the occasion of the queen's jubilee, Lord Lorne, much to the amusement of his brothers-in-law, pitched off his restive horse, alighting on his head.

We have Emperor William's assurance that the czar does not know how to ride well, the young German monarch having given public expression to the opinion some time ago that Alexander was too bad a horseman to like to make war. This may possibly be true of his Muscovite majesty nowadays, but I remember him, when a young man and prior to his accession to the throne, as anything but an indifferent rider, his only fault being that his hand was perhaps a trifle heavy. His wife used likewise to be a graceful and fearless equestrienne and was wont to hunt, English fashion, until the terrible railroad accident at Borki some years ago, which entirely destroyed her nervous system.

## A King's Mishaps.

King Humbert's seat in the saddle is far from good, and there is no other reigning monarch who has been pitched off his horse so frequently. Fortunately he is lithe and limber and has therefore hitherto escaped any bad effects from his tumbles save severe shakings. The best rider of his family is probably his nephew, the young Count of Turin, who is master of the Roman fox hunt and president of the Italian Turf association, controlling all the race courses of the kingdom.

Neither the king of Sweden nor any

of his sons ride well, and the same may be said of all the members of the royal house of Denmark save old King Christian, who is, however, now too old to ride and contents himself with driving four-in-hand. Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria, although at the time of his election to the throne which he now occupies he held a commission in an Austrian regiment of hussars, is a miserable horseman, so much so that he is forced to review his troops, as a rule, from a carriage and is unable to remain mounted for more than half an hour at a time.

The obesity and indolence of the young king of Portugal render him awkward on horseback, and an easy seat in the carriage is far more to his taste than a saddle. In this he differs from his consort, who, as a daughter of the Comtesse de Paris, is, like her mother and her sister, Princess Helene of Orleans, devoted to horseflesh. King George of Greece prefers walking to either riding or driving and is more often seen riding in the tramways at Athens than on horseback, his predilection in this respect being shared by the members of his family.

## Other Royal Riders.

Another royal personage who can't ride and who simply abominates horses is the ex-king of Naples, who is never seen otherwise than on foot, while his wife is as passionately fond of the equine race as is her sister, the empress of Austria. She races, I may add, on the French turf under the pseudonym of "Count Isola."

Prince Victor Napoleon, the recognized head of the house of Bonaparte, is a deplorable rider and has had no end of ignominious falls, on the last occasion coming to grief in such an awkward manner that he brought Count Serge Moray, with whom he was riding, to the ground, smashing the count's ankle and dislocating his shoulder. Indeed his mishaps in this particular are a constant theme of ridicule to the republic and Orleanist press of Paris.

King Leopold of Belgium, strange to say, sits on his horse far more like an Englishman than either the Prince of Wales or the Duke of Connaught. Every day he may be seen riding to the Bois de la Cambre in the nearest of English gaiters, breeches and jacket, presenting quite as well groomed and trim an appearance as his nag. The equestrienne feats of his consort, Queen Henriette, who is an Austrian archduchess by birth, rival in every respect those of Empress Elizabeth and of Archduchess Marie Theresia, who stands on record as having made the longest and quickest ride ever attempted by a woman. Queen Henriette has personally trained a number of her horses, especially a beautiful mare of the name of Charmie, to perform all sorts of circus tricks, and from time to time she gives amateur circus entertainments in the royal riding school at Brussels in behalf of one or another of the local charities. Little King Alfonso, like the young Queen Wilhelmina of Holland, is now learning to ride and is making rapid progress.

## Fine Equestrians.

The equestrienne par excellence of the royal house of Spain is the little king's aunt and godmother, Princess Isabella, widow of that epileptic brother of the ex-king of Naples who committed suicide in her presence by cutting his throat. She is passionately fond of hunting and never looks to such advantage as when arrayed in the scarlet jacket and black habit of the Madrid Hunt club.

Emperor William of Germany is a bold and excellent horseman, although he does not hunt. His skill in this respect is all the more creditable by reason of the fact that one of his arms is crippled and almost useless. He spends a great deal of his time in the saddle,



EMPEROR AND CROWN PRINCE OF GERMANY, which probably contributes a good deal to his retaining his health and spirits notwithstanding the incurable malady with which he is afflicted.

Of all crowned heads, however, the most magnificent rider is undoubtedly the Emperor Francis Joseph, who, if the truth were known, is quite as perfect a horseman as his consort, Empress Elizabeth, used to be an equestrienne.

I have seen him in many a different uniform, but never to such advantage as in the traditional red coat, high silk hat and top boots so familiar to all those who have witnessed a meet of the hounds in Austria, and in spite of his advanced age he is always in the foremost fight when following the hounds of Count "Niki" Esterhazy or those of the Princess Liechtenstein.

All of Emperor William's sisters are excellent horsewomen and only afford additional proof of the superiority of the feminine to the masculine element of royalty in everything that pertains to riding and horseflesh.

## BARON SARTOR.

## Little Switzerland's Big Army.

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## THE FENCE CUT DOWN.

The Big Hedge on Quincy Street no Longer a Hiding Place for Crime.

Street Commissioner Naylor has done a piece of work for which he should receive a medal. He had the tall hedge fence at the corner of Third and Quincy streets cut down even with the ground and thrown into the river.

This fence extended from the alley on the north side of Third street to Quincy and north on Quincy for 150 feet. It was one of the worst resorts and most dangerous places in the city and was the scene of many midnight holdups. The most disreputable characters in town used this hedge, which was as high as a good sized house, for a hiding place. The police have had innumerable complaints of late about a gang of colored women who made life miserable for any one who happened to go that way at night.

Sunday night the police made a raid on the place surrounded by the hedge, but the dozen or more of men and women behind the hedge escaped. The matter was placed before the street commissioner and he summoned his force yesterday and by the vigorous use of axes this eye sore of the police had soon disappeared.

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